

Senate Joint Resolution 16 - Introduced

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1 A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution
2 of the State of Iowa relating to standing to file an action
3 challenging the constitutionality of a law.

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
2 the State of Iowa is proposed:

3 Article V of the Constitution of the State of Iowa is amended
4 by adding the following new section:

5 **Standing.** SEC. 6A. Any natural person shall be deemed to
6 have standing in order to file an action challenging any law as
7 unconstitutional if the person is a resident of this state.

8 Sec. 2. PUBLICATION AND REFERRAL TO NEXT GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY. The foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution
10 of the State of Iowa is referred to the general assembly to be
11 chosen at the next general election for members of the general
12 assembly, and the secretary of state is directed to cause the
13 same to be published for three consecutive months previous to
14 the date of that election as provided by law.

15 EXPLANATION

16 This joint resolution proposes an amendment to the
17 Constitution of the State of Iowa providing that any person
18 shall be deemed to have standing in order to file an action
19 challenging any law as unconstitutional if the person is a
20 resident of this state.

21 The joint resolution, if adopted, would be referred to the
22 next general assembly (Eighty-fifth) for adoption a second time
23 before being submitted to the electorate for ratification.